SENATE BILL 1521

By Beavers

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38; Title 39; Title 40 and Title 41, relative to criminal procedure and criminal offenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-8-101, is amended by deleting subsection (a) and substituting instead the following:
 - (a) The governor is authorized to offer a reward for information leading to the apprehension, arrest and conviction of a person or persons who have committed, attempted to commit or conspired to commit a criminal offense in this state. Any such reward offered shall not exceed the following amounts for the following classification of offenses:
 - (1) Sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) for an offense that is classified as a Class A or B felony; and
 - (2) Eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) for an offense that is classified as a Class C, D or E felony.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-8-101(b), is amended by deleting the language "The fifty thousand dollar (\$50,000) and five thousand dollar (\$5,000) reward maximums" and substituting instead the language "The sixty thousand dollar (\$60,000) and eight thousand dollar (\$8,000) reward maximums".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.